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REMARKS

In the Office Action of November 30, 2006, the Examiner indicates, and the Applicant acknowledges, that claims 1-73 were pending previous to this paper. The Applicant wishes to express appreciation for the timeliness of the Official Office Action. Claims 1, 4, 14, 24, 28, 36, 40, 42, 58 and 59 have been cancelled without prejudice via this paper, therefore, claims 2, 3, 5-13, 15-23, 25-28, 29-35, 37-39, 41, 43-57 and 60-73 remain pending subsequent to this paper. The Applicant also wishes to thank the Examiner for the early indication of allowability of subject matter contained in claims 60-62, 64-67, and 69-73. Each of the independent claims as amended via this paper now includes subject matter indicated as being allowable.

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicant submits that the present invention as defined in claims 2, 3, 5-13, 15-23, 25-28, 29-35, 37-39, 41, 43-57 and 60-73 is in condition for allowance over the art of record. The Applicant, therefore, requests that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance. Please contact the undersigned should additional information be required.

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